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UM SCHOLARSHIP HONORS FORMER PSYCHOLOGY PROFESSOR

MISSOULA --

Mary Jean Gilman of Seattle and Anne Laurie of Tucson, Ariz., daughters of former University of Montana psychology Professor Bert R. Sappenfield of Missoula, have established a \$10,500 scholarship fund at UM in honor of their father's 80th birthday.

The Bert R. Sappenfield Scholarship, set up through the UM Foundation, is for a graduate student in Native American studies who shows promise for professional achievement or community service and an interest in improving conditions for Indians on and off reservations.

Interest from the endowment will pay for the scholarships, the first of which will be made this spring.

During his tenure at UM, from 1941 to 1978, Sappenfield helped develop the psychology department as a separate entity and served as its chair for four years.

Author of a psychology text and many research papers, he's been a member of the Montana, Rocky Mountain and American psychological associations.

Former students interested in contributing to the fund should contact The University of Montana Foundation, Brantly Hall, Missoula, MT 59812; 243-2593.

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